

Austin, Texas

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TO THE MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, SIXTY-THIRD
LEGISLATURE, REGULAR SESSION, STATE OF TEXAS:

Pursuant to the provisions of Article IV, Section 14
of the Constitution of the State of Texas, I herewith return
to you H. B. 209 unsigned for the following reasons:

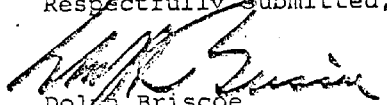
This Act apparently was intended to allow the district
clerks of the various counties to deliver checks to jurors in
payment for their service in the district courts, the county
courts at law, and in the county courts in this state.

In many of our counties the district clerks have no
connection with county court juries. In these counties, the
courts are served by the county clerks. This Act would
confuse the law in regard to those counties and would provide
additional duties for the district clerks.

This Act would conflict with Article 1709a. of the Revised
Civil Statutes which provides that the county treasurer shall
endorse his approval on the check, when properly drawn by
another official, and then shall deliver the check to the
payee.

There is no reference to Article 1709-a in the bill
although it amends a comprehensive codification of the position
of County Treasurers and their duties and obligations vis a vis
other county officials.

Respectfully submitted,


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Governor of Texas